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JOINT EMBASSY-USOM MESSAGE

Re DEPTEL 603 and LOATC 392.

Probably impossible obtain signature diplomatic note here in absence definite instructions to Acting Prime Minister Gallal or Acting Foreign Minister Sahli from Prime Minister (see EMBTEL 701). Appears Prime Minister's own signature when out of country not legally valid. Prime Minister not expected return Libya prior July 1 (see EMBTEL 722). Request Embassy London contact Abdel Razaq Shaglouf and through him attempt persuade Prime Minister wire instructions Gallal or Sahli.

Text of note follows:

"Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the exchange of notes signed at Tripoli April 4, 1956, and in particular to the offer of the USG to grant economic aid to Libya in the amount of $5 million for development projects to be agreed on, in addition to $4 million from special purpose funds already transferred to Libya during the present US fiscal year.

"It is the understanding of my government, following recent conversations on the subject between representatives of our two governments, that such economic aid is to be made available for development purposes in the fields of agriculture and natural resource, water resources, community development, technical and vocational education, public health and environmental sanitation, provincial road construction, and for providing additional capital for the Agricultural Credit Bank in furtherance of the agricultural credit program; and that detailed arrangements therefore are to be made in appropriate project agreements to be entered into by the director of the US operations mission to Libya and the chairman of the Libyan American Reconstruction

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Reconstruction Commission, or their designer (or by any successor officials or authorized representatives of the two governments) and by the respective representatives of any joint service, Libyan Government Ministry or agency of the Government of Libya that may directly participate in the project.

If Your Excellency's government concurs in the understandings set forth above, my government would appreciate receiving a reply to that effect and an early date in order that the project agreements can be concluded before July 1, 1956. My government will consider this note and your reply concurring therein as constituting an agreement which shall enter into force upon the date of your reply."

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